

## EXTENSIONS OF REMARKS

IN HONOR OF THE LIFE OF  
COULSON TOUGH

**HON. KEVIN BRADY**

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, March 2, 2022*

Mr. BRADY. Madam Speaker, today I rise to honor the distinguished life and public service of my dear friend Mr. Coulson Tough. He dedicated his life to improving his community and country and ushered an idea of The Woodlands into one of the top places to live in the country.

At age 17, Coulson eagerly enlisted in the Army Air Corps, now known as the Air Force, where he served in Germany and France. After returning home, he attended the University of Michigan where he earned his bachelor's degree in Architecture and met his adoring wife Colleen Bohn. Coulson and Colleen then headed west to California to start their life together, and became parents to two wonderful children, Bruce and Cindy.

Mr. Tough spent the first 16 years of his career in architecture in California, where he designed a barn remodel for future president Ronald Reagan. In 1968, Coulson made the courageous decision to move his family to Texas, where he served as the Vice President of Facilities and Operations at the University of Houston. This is where Mr. Tough met George Mitchell, the founder of The Woodlands, and together, they created a thriving community.

Mr. Tough showcased his passion for architecture and, while working alongside Mr. Mitchell, as Vice President of Building Development for The Woodlands, helped bring his vision of a master planned community to life. The leadership and service of these two men undoubtedly made The Woodlands into what it is today.

Around The Woodlands, citizens are reminded of Coulson's legacy. He helped build 130 buildings and pioneered the procurement of public art across the community. His favorite art piece was a sculpture of a reclining boy termed "The Dreamer," which resides at the intersection of West Panther Creek Drive and The Woodlands Parkway.

Mr. Tough's ideas live beyond his work as an architect. His dedication to serving his community was evident through his involvement in the Rotary Club, The Woodlands Community Presbyterian Church, the Conroe ISD Board, and The Woodlands Chamber of Commerce, where he hired me as President. In addition to serving as a Trustee on the Conroe ISD Board, he was honored to have a school in The Woodlands named after him, Coulson Tough Elementary.

Mr. Tough's most recent project was to design and construct the Mitchell Physics Building and the Institute for Fundamental Physics and Astronomy at Texas A&M University. Coulson retired at the age of 77, but continued

consulting on projects both in The Woodlands and Galveston, Texas.

While we mourn with the Tough family, we also celebrate the life, service, and legacy that will live throughout our community for years to come. I am proud to join Mr. Tough's family, friends, and the entire Woodland's community in honoring his life and devotion to public service. May God bless Coulson Tough.

### PERSONAL EXPLANATION

**HON. MIKE GALLAGHER**

OF WISCONSIN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, March 2, 2022*

Mr. GALLAGHER. Madam Speaker, I was attending a funeral and was unable to participate in Roll Call numbers 46, 47, 48, 49, and 50. Had I been present, I would have voted YEA on Roll Call No. 46, YEA on Roll Call No. 47, NAY on Roll Call No. 48, NAY on Roll Call No. 49 and NAY on Roll Call No. 50.

### HONORING KENESHA LEWIS

**HON. BENNIE G. THOMPSON**

OF MISSISSIPPI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, March 2, 2022*

Mr. THOMPSON of Mississippi. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor a tenacious and ambitious young lady, Mrs. Kenesha Lewis. Kenesha has shown what can be done through hard work, dedication, and a desire to achieve success.

With over 10 years of restaurant management experience, Kenesha has always had a love of serving people with excellence, bringing smiles to their faces.

Known as the "fruit lady" in her family for many years because of her love for fruit, Kenesha felt led in December 2018 to start creating beautiful fruit arrangements. She worked throughout the night, knowing she was being purposely driven because she was so filled with joy. After showcasing her arrangements on social media and seeing the positive and enthusiastic responses, Kenesha, with her husband Jason, birthed Kay's Kute Fruit, offering gorgeous fruit arrangements for all occasions, as well as their all-natural smoothies.

"Being a young woman here in the Delta, it's not a lot of health options," Kenesha says. "It's not a lot of places you can go and get a healthy wrap and then you can go in the same place and have nice service."

Kenesha got the idea to start a business after her husband kept getting on her case for eating too much sugar. "I lost two teeth and he said, 'wait a minute now, you're too young to be losing these teeth.'" she recalls, laughing. "[he said] 'Let's figure this out.' So, we

created smoothies together and I said, okay, this is good for me."

It turns out, it was also good for business. Lewis exceeded her projected annual sales in her first month after opening. Growing up, she says people in her community were good entrepreneurs, but they usually worked out of their homes. Her mom is a stylist, and her dad ran a house painting business.

Being a black woman, now with a storefront downtown, she sees herself as a role model.

Madam Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in recognizing Mrs. Kenesha Lewis for the outstanding work and accomplishments she has made thus far.

### TRIBUTE TO JAY MYRON JACKMAN

**HON. ANNA G. ESHOO**

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, March 2, 2022*

Ms. ESHOO. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor the life and work of a dear friend and great man, Jay Jackman, who died of Parkinson's disease on January 17, 2022.

Jay Jackman was born in New York City in 1939 and raised in Brooklyn where his father instilled in him a love of political activism and a passion for justice. Jay was a graduate of Harvard College and the Columbia Medical School, did his medical residency at Stanford University, and was a graduate of the Hastings School of Law. He dedicated both his medical and legal careers to justice for all.

After his residency in psychiatry, Jay ran a drug treatment program in San Francisco, then moved to Hawaii. Upon his return to California, he worked in forensic psychiatry and psychiatry at Stanford University. He also served on the Foothill-DeAnza College Board for five years and was an advisor to the Democratic Clubs at Stanford. He served as a liaison from Stanford to the Democratic Party and was one of the early members of the Peninsula Democratic Coalition. He was a key member of the Santa Clara County Central Committee and the California Central Committee of the Democratic Party. After going to law school at age 60, he served as an expert witness in more than 250 capital cases, where he often tried to help prisoners escape the death penalty.

Jay leaves his beloved wife, Myra Strober, his children Tenaya, Rashi and Jason, and his stepchildren Jason and Liz.

Madam Speaker, I ask the entire House of Representatives to join me in honoring the life of this good and great man and in extending our most sincere condolences to Myra and his entire family. Jay Jackman bettered our country every day of his life, and was a special blessing to me and countless others.

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